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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended). A platform dolly having a platform support comprising:

(a) the platform dolly including the platform support having casters and an adjustable ~~hinged~~ locking mechanism mounted thereon;

(b) a composite material forming the platform support; support, and

(c) the composite material providing light weight and great strength for the platform support;

(d) the platform support having at least one adjustable bumper block mounted on at least one edge thereof;

(e) the at least one adjustable bumper block serving to adjust at least one factor selected from the group consisting of a width of the platform support a height of the platform support and a length of the platform support;

(f) at least one securing means supporting the at least one adjustable bumper block in a desired position;

(g) the platform support having a rectangular shape;

(h) the at least one adjustable bumper block being a first pair of adjustable bumper blocks and a second pair of adjustable bumper blocks;

(i) the first pair of adjustable bumper blocks being on a first side of the rectangular shape;

(j) the second pair of adjustable bumper blocks being on a second side of the rectangular shape;

(k) the first side of the rectangular shape being oppositely disposed from the second side of the rectangular shape;

(l) the first pair of adjustable bumper blocks being positionable relative to the first side of the rectangular shape; and

(m) the second pair of adjustable bumper blocks being positionable relative to the second side of the rectangular shape.

Claim 2. (Cancelled)

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Claim 3. (Cancelled)

Claim 4 (Currently Amended). The platform dolly of ~~Claim 3~~
Claim 1 further comprising:

- (a) a first hinge system securing the first pair of adjustable bumper blocks to the first side of the rectangular shape; and
- (b) a second hinge system securing the second pair of adjustable bumper blocks to the second side of the rectangular shape;
- (c) at least one securing means supporting the at least one adjustable bumper block in a first desired position.
- (d) at least one positioning means positioning the at least one adjustable block in a second desired position.

Claim 5 (original). The platform dolly of Claim 4 further comprising:

- (a) the securing means comprising a T-bar block holder and T-bar receiver oppositely disposed on the at least one adjustable block and the rectangular shape;
- (b) the securing means being adapted to hold the at least one adjustable bumper block at a right angle to the platform support;
- (c) the positioning means comprising a loop portion of fastener with a hook portion being oppositely disposed on the rectangular shape; and
- (d) the positioning means being adapted to hold the at least one adjustable bumper block adjacent to the platform support.

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Claim 6 (original). The platform dolly of Claim 5 further comprising:

(a) the first hinge system including a first hinge for a first member of the first pair of adjustable bumper blocks;

(b) the first hinge system including a second hinge for a second member of the first pair of adjustable bumper blocks;

(c) the second hinge system including a third hinge for a first member of the second pair of adjustable bumper blocks; and

(d) the second hinge system including a second hinge for a second member of the second pair of adjustable bumper blocks.

Claim 7 (original). The platform dolly of Claim 6 further comprising:

(a) the T-bar block holder having a hinge assembly and oppositely disposed from a T-bar receiver on the at least one adjustable block and the support platform rectangular shape;

(b) the hinge assembly including a hinged plate and a bent wire bar;

(c) the bent wire bar having a T-shaped head oppositely disposed from a hinged base;

(d) the hinge plate receiving the hinged base in movable relationship; and

(e) the T-bar receiver receiving the T-shaped head.

Claim 8 (original). The platform dolly of Claim 7 further comprising:

(a) the T-bar block holder being present for each of the at least one adjustable bumper block;

(b) the at least one adjustable bumper block serving to adjust at least one dimension of the platform dolly selected from the group consisting of a height of the platform support, and the width of the platform; and

(c) the first hinge system and the second hinge system including at least one flexible hinge.

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Claim 9 (original). The platform dolly of Claim 8 further comprising:

- (a) the T-bar block holder holding the at least one bumper block in an upright 90-degree position relative to the platform support;
- (b) the at least one bumper block and the platform support being formed from a composite fabricated structure; and
- (c) the composite fabricated structure being light weight.

Claim 10 (original). The platform dolly of Claim 9 further comprising:

- (a) a coating covering the platform dolly; and
- (b) the coating serving at least one function selected from the group consisting of a decorative function and an identity function.

Claim 11 (original). The platform dolly of Claim 9 further comprising:

- (a) the platform support serving at least one function selected from the group consisting of a decorative function and an identity function;
- (b) the platform support having a generally rectangular shape;
- (c) the platform support having the flexible hinge on each side thereof; and
- (d) the flexible hinge on each side thereof having a member of the at least one bumper block mounted thereon.

Claim 12 (original). The platform dolly of Claim 11 further comprising:

- (a) the flexible hinge being releasable in order to permit adding or removing of the at least one bumper block;
- (b) the composite construction being at least one material selected from the group consisting of resin coated balsa wood; resin fabric covering balsa wood and resin impregnated carbon fabric;
- (c) a caster wheel mounted at each corner of the rectangular shape;
- (d) the platform support including a platform aperture for use as a handle.

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Claim 13 (Currently Amended). A platform dolly having a platform support comprising:

(a) the platform dolly including the platform support having casters and an adjustable locking mechanism mounted thereon;

(b) a composite material forming the platform support;

(c) the composite material providing light weight and great strength for the platform support;

(d) the platform support having at least one adjustable bumper block mounted on at least one edge thereof;

(e) the at least one adjustable bumper block serving to adjust at least one factor selected from the group consisting of a width of the platform support, a height of the platform support and a length of the platform support;

(f) the composite construction being at least one material selected from the group consisting of resin coated balsa wood, and resin fabric covering balsa wood; wood, and

(g) at least one securing means supporting the at least one adjustable bumper block in a desired position.

(h) the platform support having a rectangular shape;

(i) the at least one adjustable bumper block being a first pair of adjustable bumper blocks and a second pair of adjustable bumper blocks;

(j) the first pair of adjustable bumper blocks being on a first side of the rectangular shape;

(k) the second pair of adjustable bumper blocks being on a second side of the rectangular shape;

(l) the first side of the rectangular shape being oppositely disposed from the second side of the rectangular shape;

(m) the first pair of adjustable bumper blocks being positionable relative to the first side of the rectangular shape; and

(n) the second pair of adjustable bumper blocks being positionable relative to the second side of the rectangular shape.

Claim 14 (Cancelled)

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Claim 15 (Currently Amended). The platform dolly of ~~claim 14~~ Claim 13 further comprising:

- (a) a first hinge system securing the first pair of adjustable bumper blocks to the first side of the rectangular shape; and
- (b) a second hinge system securing the second pair of adjustable bumper blocks to the second side of the rectangular shape;
- (c) at least one securing means supporting the at least one adjustable bumper block in a first desired position.
- (d) at least one positioning means positioning the at least one adjustable block in a second desired position.

Claim 16 (original). The platform dolly of Claim 15 further comprising:

- (a) the securing means comprising a T-bar block holder and T-bar receiver oppositely disposed on the at least one adjustable block and the rectangular shape;
- (b) the securing means being adapted to hold the at least one adjustable bumper block at a right angle to the platform support;
- (c) the positioning means comprising a loop portion of fastener with a hook portion being oppositely disposed on the rectangular shape; and
- (d) the positioning means being adapted to hold the at least one adjustable bumper block adjacent to the platform support.

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Claim 17 (original). The platform dolly of Claim 16 further comprising:

(a) the first hinge system including a first hinge for a first member of the first pair of adjustable bumper blocks;

(b) the first hinge system including a second hinge for a second member of the first pair of adjustable bumper blocks;

(c) the second hinge system including a third hinge for a first member of the second pair of adjustable bumper blocks; and

(d) the second hinge system including a second hinge for a second member of the second pair of adjustable bumper blocks.

Claim 18 (original). The platform dolly of Claim 17 further comprising:

(a) the T-bar block holder having a hinge assembly and oppositely disposed from a T-bar receiver on the at least one adjustable block and the support platform rectangular shape;

(b) the hinge assembly including a hinged plate and a bent wire bar;

(c) the bent wire bar having a T-shaped head oppositely disposed from a hinged base;

(d) the hinge plate receiving the hinged base in movable relationship; and

(e) the T-bar receiver receiving the T-shaped head.

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Claim 19 (Currently Amended). A method of moving a heavy item with a platform dolly comprising:

(a) providing a composite construction platform dolly with a rectangular platform support;

(b) mounting at least one adjusting means on the support platform;

(c) positioning the at least one adjusting means in order to support a desired ~~piece of~~ item to be moved;

~~(d) positioning the at least one adjusting means in order to support the desired item to be moved;~~

~~(e) supporting (d) supporting~~ the desired item to be moved on the platform dolly; and platform dolly;

~~(f) moving (e) moving~~ the desired item to be moved on the platform dolly.

(f) adjusting at one element of the platform support selected from the group consisting a length of the platform dolly, a height of the platform dolly a width of the platform dolly with a T-Bar block holder and a hook and loop assembly to form an adjusted platform support; and

(g) mounting the item to be moved on the adjusted platform support.

20. (Cancelled)